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4. We prohibit airboats, hovercraft, or personal watercraft (Jet Skis) on any waters within the refuge boundary.

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The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

ATCHAFALAYA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of migratory game birds on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following condition: Hunting must be in accordance with State-issued Sherburne Wildlife Management Area regulations.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of upland game on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following condition: Hunting must be in accordance with State-issued Sherburne Wildlife Management Area regulations.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and turkey on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: Hunting must be in accordance with Sherburne Wildlife Management Area regulations.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow finfishing and shellfishing year-round in accordance with Sherburne Wildlife Management Area regulations subject to the following condition: We prohibit all commercial finfishing and shellfishing.

BAYOU COCODRIE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must possess and carry a signed refuge permit.

2. We allow migratory game bird hunting on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season. We do not open for the special teal season and State youth waterfowl hunt.

3. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of the maintained rights-of-way of roads, refuge road or designated trail, building, residence, or designated public facility.

4. You must remove temporary blinds (see § 27.93 of this chapter) used for duck hunting

by 12 p.m. (noon) on the last day of the State waterfowl season. You must clearly mark any stand or blind left on the refuge with the name and address of the person using the stand or blind. You must remove decoys daily.

5. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

6. Any hunter under age 17 must possess and carry proof of completion of an approved Hunter Safety Course and be accompanied by an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise (within sight of and in normal voice contact with) only one youth for all youth hunts except migratory birds. One adult may supervise no more than two youths while hunting migratory game birds.

7. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

8. We prohibit use or possession of any type of trail-marking material.

9. Coyote, beaver, feral hog, and raccoon are incidental take species and, as such, you may take them during any open hunting season only with the weapon allowed for that season if you are a hunter having the required licenses and permits. There is no bag limit on coyote, feral hog, and beaver. State regulations apply on other incidental species.

10. Each hunter is responsible for reporting harvest information on a hunter information report card located at the self-clearing check station.

11. You must check all game taken on the refuge before leaving the refuge at one of the self-clearing check stations indicated on the map in the refuge Hunting and Fishing Regulations Brochure.

12. You must use boats to access the refuge from Bayou Cocodrie or Cross Bayou. We prohibit entering the refuge from U.S. Highway 84. You must dock all boats used to access the refuge on the banks of the refuge. Boats used to cross "low water crossings" at Cross Bayou may be left for a maximum of 3 days, and you must clearly mark them with the name and address of the person responsible for the boat while it is on the refuge. We only allow outboard motors in Cocodrie Bayou and tributaries accessible therefrom.

13. We only allow ATVs on designated trails (see § 27.31 of this chapter) from September 1 through the hunting season. An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) is an off-road vehicle with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 pounds (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25x12 with a maximum

1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

14. Special access ATV trails are available for mobility-impaired hunters and hunters age 60 and older with proper State permits. Hunters with mobility impairments must possess and carry a valid Disabled Hunter Permit/Card from the State to use special access ATV trails. Hunters must equip their ATVs with a red flag at least 6 inches (15 cm) wide and 12 inches (30 cm) long on a pole or staff extending at least 36 inches (90 cm) above the level of the seat. State requirements for “Mobility-Impaired” classification apply.

15. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while hunting on the refuge (see §32.2(k)). This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow squirrel and rabbit hunting during the State season except during the open youth hunt for deer, the youth lottery hunt, the primitive firearms hunt, and the lottery deer hunt.

2. Conditions A1, A3, and A7 through A15 apply.

3. We allow the use of dogs to hunt squirrel and rabbit during that portion of the season designated as “With/Without Dogs.” We list specific season dates in the refuge brochure.

4. While engaged in upland game hunting, we prohibit possession of firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter) larger than .22 caliber rim-fire, shotgun slugs, or buckshot.

5. Refuge users may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m. and must exit the refuge by 2 hours after legal sunset except that raccoon and opossum hunters during the month of February may use the refuge at night.

6. Youth hunters under age 16 must have completed a hunter education course and possess and carry evidence of completion. An adult age 21 or older must closely supervise youth hunters (within sight and normal voice contact). One adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter while hunting upland game.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A3, A7 through A15, and B5 apply.

2. The bag limit is one deer (of either sex) per day. The State season limit applies.

3. You must check all deer on the same day taken during lottery deer hunts at a staffed refuge check station.

4. We require a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and in addition, we require a

hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange. You must wear the solid hunter-orange items while in the field.

5. We prohibit hunters leaving stands on the refuge until the opening day of archery season, and they must remove them by the end of the last day of the archery season. Hunters must clearly mark stands used on the refuge with the name and address of the owner of the stand. Hunters must remove portable stands from trees daily and must place free-standing stands in a nonhunting position daily (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

6. We only allow deer hunting with modern firearms during the lottery deer hunt. We require special limited permits for the lottery deer hunt. We only allow hunters with a valid lottery deer hunt permit (must possess and carry the permit) to use the refuge during the lottery deer hunt.

7. We open archery season on the Saturday closest to October 31, and keep it open until the end of the State season, except we close the refuge to archery hunting during the refuge youth hunt, youth lottery hunt, and lottery deer hunt.

8. We allow deer hunting with primitive firearms subject to State regulations. Specific open dates will appear in the annual Refuge Hunting and Fishing Regulations Brochure.

9. We prohibit possession or use of buckshot.

10. We prohibit possession or use of climbing spikes.

11. We prohibit baiting or hunting over bait and the possession of bait or any non-naturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

12. Youth hunters under age 16 must have completed a hunter education course and possess and carry evidence of completion. An adult age 21 or older must closely supervise youth hunters (within sight and normal voice contact). One adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter while hunting big game.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A11 through A15 apply.

2. You must tend trotlines daily. You must attach ends of trotlines by a length of cotton line that extends into the water.

3. We prohibit commercial fishing. Recreational fishing using commercial gear (slat traps, etc.) requires a special refuge permit (that you must possess and carry) available at the refuge office.

4. We prohibit the taking of alligator snapping turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

5. We only allow fishing during daylight hours.

6. The refuge boat ramp is open from 4 a.m. until 2 hours after legal sunset.

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BAYOU SAUVAGE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. [Reserved]

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]

D. Sport Fishing. We allow finfishing and shellfishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. The refuge is open from 30 minutes before legal sunrise to 30 minutes after legal sunset.

2. We allow sport fishing and shellfishing year-round on all refuge lands south of the Intracoastal Waterway, from the banks of U.S. Highway 11, and within the banks of the borrow canal and borrow pits between U.S. Highway 11 and Interstate 10. We close the remainder of the refuge from November 1 through January 31.

3. We only allow sport fishing with hand-held rod and reel or hand-held rod and line. You may take bait shrimp with cast nets 8 feet (2.4 m) in diameter or less. You may take crawfish (up to 100 pounds (45 kg) per person) with wire nets up to 20 inches (50 cm) in diameter. We allow recreational crabbing with a limit of 12 dozen per person. You must attend all fishing, crabbing, and crawfishing equipment at all times.

4. The use of trotlines, limblines, slat traps, gar sets, nets or alligator lines is prohibited on the refuge.

5. Only outboard motors 25 horsepower or less are permitted in waterways inside the hurricane protection levee.

6. We prohibit air-thrust boats, motorized pirogues, mud boats, and air-cooled propulsion engines on the refuge.

7. We prohibit feeding of any wildlife within the refuge.

8. We prohibit all commercial finfishing and shellfishing.

BAYOU TECHE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of migratory waterfowl on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. All hunters must possess and carry a signed hunt permit while hunting on the refuge. This permit is free and available on the front cover of the refuge brochure. This permit is free and available on the front cover of the refuge's brochure.

2. We prohibit hunting in and/or shooting into or across any open field, roadway, or canal.

3. Youth hunters under age 16 must have completed a State-approved Hunter Education Course and possess and carry a card or certification of completion. Each youth hunter under age 16 must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two refuge-permitted youth hunt-

ers. We require all adult supervisors and hunters of migratory waterfowl to possess and carry a State hunter safety course card or certificate.

4. We require waterfowl hunters to remove all portable blinds, boats, decoys, and other personal equipment from the refuge by 1 p.m. daily.

5. All hunters must check-in prior to hunting and check out after hunting at a refuge self-clearing check station. You must report all game taken on the refuge when checking out by using the check card.

6. We prohibit airboats and marsh buggies (tracked vehicles) on the refuge. We restrict motorized boat use to existing canals, ditches, trenasses, ponds, and from areas marked as nonmotorized areas only.

7. We prohibit parking, walking, or hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any active oil well site, production facility, or equipment. We also prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, trail, building, residence, or designated public facility.

8. We prohibit feeding of any wildlife within the refuge.

9. We allow hunting until 12 p.m. (noon). We allow hunters to enter the refuge up to 2 hours before legal sunrise.

10. We allow waterfowl hunting in Centerville, Garden City, and Bayou Sale Units during the State waterfowl season. We open no other units to migratory waterfowl hunting.

11. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

12. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while hunting on the refuge (see §32.2(k)). This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We only allow hunting from the start of the State squirrel and rabbit seasons until the last day of State waterfowl season in the West Zone.

2. We prohibit upland game hunting on days corresponding with refuge deer gun hunts.

3. We allow hunters to enter the refuge up to 2 hours before legal sunrise, but they must leave the refuge 1 hour after legal sunset.

4. We allow hunting 7 days per week beginning with the opening of the State season in Centerville, Garden City, Bayou Sale, North Bend—East, and North Bend—West Units through the last day of the State waterfowl season in the West Zone. We open no other units to the hunting of upland game.

5. We prohibit dogs.

6. Conditions A1, A2, A3, A5, A6, A7, A8, and A12 apply.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow the hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow hunting of deer only with firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter) during 5 specific days during October and November. A youth gun hunt will occur during the last weekend of October. The general gun hunt will occur during the final full weekend in November. The general gun hunt will be a lottery hunt. We will require a Lottery Hunt Permit. Hunters will find permit application procedures in the refuge brochure. The youth gun hunt includes both Saturday and Sunday. The general gun hunt includes the Friday immediately before the weekend.

2. We allow hunting of deer with archery equipment from the start of the State archery season until the last day of November in the following units: Garden City, North Bend—East, and North Bend—West. The following units are open to archery deer hunting from the start of the State archery season until January 31: Centerville, Bayou Sale, and Garden City (south of Garden City levee only). We close refuge archery hunting on those days that the refuge deer gun hunts occur.

3. All archery hunters must possess and carry proof of completion of the International Bowhunters Education Program.

4. We allow hunting in the Centerville, Garden City, Bayou Sale, North Bend—East, and North Bend—West Units only. We do not open the Bayou Sale Unit for all big game firearm hunts.

5. We only allow each hunter to possess 1 deer of either sex per day. State season limits apply.

6. You may take no other native or feral wildlife other than white-tailed deer while engaged in big game hunting (see §27.21 of this chapter).

7. We allow the use of portable deer stands according to State of Louisiana Wildlife Management Area regulations.

8. We require a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and, in addition, we require a hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange. You must wear the solid hunter-orange items while in the field.

9. Conditions A1, A2, with the following exception to A3: One adult may supervise only one youth; A5, A6, A7, A8, B3, and B5 apply.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing in all refuge waters in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We only allow recreational fishing. We prohibit all commercial fishing activity.

2. We prohibit the use of unattended nets, traps, or lines (trot, jug, bush, etc.).

3. The refuge is open from legal sunrise until legal sunset unless stated otherwise.

4. We prohibit the take of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

5. Conditions A6 and A8 apply.

BIG BRANCH MARSH NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, coot, goose, snipe, rail, gallinule, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge during the State waterfowl season in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow waterfowl hunting on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 12 p.m. (noon), including the State special teal season and State youth waterfowl hunt.

2. We do not open the refuge to goose hunting for that part of the season that extends beyond the regular duck season.

3. You must remove blinds and decoys (see §27.93 of this chapter) by noon.

4. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

5. You must possess and carry a valid refuge hunt permit.

6. We prohibit air-thrust boats, motorized pirogues, mud boats, and air-cooled propulsion engines on the refuge.

7. Youth hunters under age 16 must have completed a hunter education course and possess and carry evidence of completion. An adult age 21 or older must closely supervise youth hunters (within sight and normal voice contact). One adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

9. We prohibit possession of buckshot, slugs, rifles, or rifle ammunition.

10. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any road open to vehicle travel, residence, or Boy Scout Road. We prohibit hunting in refuge-designated closed areas, which are posted on the refuge and identified in the refuge hunt permits (see §27.31 of this chapter).

11. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while hunting on the refuge (see §32.2(k)).

12. Hunters may not enter the refuge before 4 a.m.

13. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

14. We prohibit horses.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel, rabbit, and quail on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow upland game hunting during the open State season using only approved

nontoxic (see §32.2(k)) shot size #4 or smaller.

2. You may only use dogs for squirrel and rabbit after the close of the State archery deer season.

3. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for quail.

4. Conditions A5 through A14 apply.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We are open during the State season for archery hunting of deer.

2. We only allow portable stands.

3. We prohibit dogs and driving deer.

4. You may take deer of either sex in accordance with State regulations. The State season limits apply.

5. Hunters may erect temporary deer stands 14 days prior to the start of deer season. Hunters must remove all deer stands within 14 days of the end of the refuge deer season (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

6. Hunters may take hogs only during the refuge deer archery hunt.

7. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals or other feed or any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

8. Conditions A5 through A8, and A10 through A13 apply, except in condition A7, one adult may supervise only one youth while hunting big game.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing in designated waters of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You may only fish from ½ hour before legal sunrise to ½ hour after legal sunset, except in the Lake Road area.

2. You must only use rods and reel or pole and lines while fishing.

3. We prohibit the use of trotlines, limblines, slat traps, gar sets, nets, or alligator lines on the refuge. You may take bait with cast nets 8 feet (2.4 m) in diameter or less.

4. We allow recreational crabbing.

5. We prohibit all commercial finfishing and shellfishing.

6. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

7. Condition A6 applies.

BLACK BAYOU LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You must possess and carry a signed refuge hunt permit.

2. We allow hunting north of "cemetery pipeline" and east of the main body (permanent water) of Black Bayou Lake.

3. We allow waterfowl hunting until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season except we do not open during the special teal season and State youth waterfowl hunt.

4. We prohibit accessing the hunting area by boat from Black Bayou Lake.

5. You may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m.

6. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of the maintained right-of-way of roads, from or across ATV trails (see §27.31 of this chapter). We prohibit hunting within 50 feet (15 m), or trespassing on above-ground oil or gas production facilities.

7. We prohibit leaving boats, blinds, and decoys unattended.

8. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

9. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. One adult may supervise two youth hunters.

10. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

11. We only allow ATVs on trails (see §27.31 of this chapter) designated for their use and marked by signs. We do not open ATV trails March 1 through August 31. An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) is an off-road vehicle with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 lbs. (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25×12 with a maximum of 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail, squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and opossum on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A2, A4, A6, A9, and A10 apply.

2. We prohibit possession of firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter) larger than .22 caliber rimfire, shotgun slugs, and buckshot.

3. You may hunt raccoon and opossum from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset of rabbit and squirrel season and at night during December and January. You may use dogs for night hunting. We prohibit

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selling raccoon and opossum taken on the refuge for human consumption.

4. We allow the use of dogs to hunt squirrel and rabbit during that part of the State season that occurs in January and February.

5. We allow use of horses and mules to hunt raccoon and opossum at night only after obtaining a Special Use Permit at the refuge office.

6. We prohibit opossum and raccoon night hunters from using ATVs.

7. You may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m. and must exit no later than 1 hour after legal shooting hours.

8. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot (see § 32.2(k)) while hunting on the refuge. This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow archery hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge during the State season in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A2, A4, A6, A10, A11, and B7 apply.

2. We prohibit gun deer hunting.

3. The daily bag limit is one deer of either sex. The State season limit applies.

4. We prohibit leaving deer stands, blinds, and other equipment unattended.

5. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. One adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter.

6. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see § 32.2(h)).

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You may enter the refuge ½ hour before legal sunrise, and you must exit no later than ½ hour after legal sunset.

2. You may only launch boats at the concrete ramp adjacent to the visitor center. We prohibit launching boats with motors greater than 50 hp. We prohibit personal watercraft (Jet Skis).

3. We prohibit trotlines, limb lines, yo-yos, traps, or nets.

4. We prohibit commercial fishing.

5. We prohibit leaving boats or other equipment on the refuge overnight (see § 27.93 of this chapter).

6. We require a boat launch fee. You must pay launch fees and fill out and properly display your launch permit before launching boat.

7. We prohibit take of frog, turtle, and mollusk (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

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8. We prohibit crossing the water hyacinth blooms in a boat.

BOGUE CHITTO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow hunting from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 12 p.m. (noon).

2. We allow woodcock hunting in accordance with State regulations using only approved nontoxic shot (see § 32.2(k)) size #4 or smaller.

3. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. One adult may supervise up to two youth hunters.

4. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

5. We require a signed refuge hunt permit.

6. We allow public hunting refuge-wide during the open State season for listed species, except for the east levee of the Pearl River Navigation Canal as indicated on refuge permit map.

7. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, designated trail, building, residence, designated public facility, or from or across above-ground oil or gas or electric facilities.

8. We prohibit possession of slugs, buckshot, rifle, or pistol ammunition unless otherwise specified.

9. We allow primitive camping within 100 feet (30 m) of designated streams. These include either bank of the Boque Chitto River, Wilson Slough, and West Pearl River south of Wilson Slough, refuge lands along the East Pearl River, and Holmes Bayou.

10. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

11. We prohibit horses.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and opossum on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot size #4 or smaller or .22 caliber rimfire or smaller.

2. You may use dogs for rabbit and squirrel from November 1 to the end of the State season except during the refuge gun and muzzle-loader season.

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3. You may use dogs for raccoon and opossum from January 1 through the last day of February.

4. We will close the refuge to hunting (except waterfowl) and camping when the Pearl River reaches 15.5 feet (4.65 m) on the Pearl River Gauge at Pearl River, Louisiana.

5. We prohibit the take of feral hog during any upland game hunts.

6. Conditions A3 (upland game hunts), and A5 through A10 apply.

7. During the refuge deer gun season, all hunters except waterfowl hunters must wear a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and in addition we require a hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer, turkey, and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A3 (one adult may supervise only one youth hunter during refuge gun deer hunts), A5 through A7, A10, B4, and B7 apply.

2. Hunters may erect temporary deer stands 14 days prior to the start of deer season. Hunters must remove all deer stands within 14 days of the end of the refuge deer season (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

3. We allow archery deer hunting during the open State archery season.

4. We list specific dates for general gun big game hunts in the refuge hunt brochure.

5. We list specific dates for primitive weapons big game hunts in the refuge hunt brochure.

6. We prohibit the use of dogs.

7. We prohibit using shot larger than No. 2 during turkey season.

8. You may take hog as incidental game while participating in the refuge archery, primitive weapon, and general gun deer hunts only. We list specific dates for the special hog hunts in January and February in the refuge hunt brochure. During the special hog hunts you must use trained hog-hunting dogs to aid in the take of hog. During the special hog hunts you may take hog from 30 minutes before legal sunrise to 30 minutes after legal sunset, and you must use pistol or rifle ammunition not larger than .22 caliber rimfire or shotgun with nontoxic shot to take the hog after it has been caught by dogs.

9. You must kill all hogs prior to removal from the refuge.

10. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

D. Sport Fishing. We allow recreational fishing year-round in accordance with State

regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We only allow cotton limb lines.

2. Conditions A9 and B4 apply.

3. We close the fishing ponds at the Pearl River Turnaround to fishing during the months of April, May, and June.

4. We allow boats in the fishing ponds at the Pearl River Turnaround that do not have gasoline-powered engines attached. These boats must be hand launched into the ponds.

5. We prohibit the take of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

6. We allow trotlines but the last five feet of trotline must be 100% cotton.

BRETON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. [Reserved]

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]

D. Sport Fishing. Anglers may fish and crab on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. Anglers may fish year-round.

2. Crabbers must tend crabbing equipment at all times.

3. Anglers may not use trotlines, slat traps, or nets.

CAMERON PRAIRIE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of light and white-fronted goose, duck, coot, snipe, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. The waterfowl hunt consists of a youth (age 17 and younger) limited permit hunt only. We provide hunt dates and application requirements to the public through the media early each fall. We notify successful applicants prior to the applicable hunt season. The permitted youth must be present in the blind for his/her guest to hunt.

2. All hunters born on or after September 1, 1969, must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter (age 16 and under) must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. For waterfowl hunts, one adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

3. We require every hunter to possess and carry signed refuge hunting regulations and permit.

4. Each hunter must complete a Hunter Information Card at a self-clearing check station after each hunt and before leaving the refuge.

5. We allow dove hunting on designated areas during the first split of the State dove season only.

6. We allow snipe hunting on designated areas for the remaining portion of the State snipe season following closure of the State duck and coot season in the West Zone.

7. We prohibit hunting closer than 50 yards (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, trail, building, residence, or designated public facility.

8. We prohibit any person or group from acting as guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity in which any other individual(s) pay or promise to pay directly or indirectly for service rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow archery as the only form of hunting for white-tailed deer in designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A2 (for big game hunt, one adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter), A3, A4, A7, and A8 apply.

2. We prohibit entrance to the hunting area earlier than 4 a.m. Hunters must leave no later than 1 hour after legal sunset.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing, boating, crabbing, and cast netting on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You must fish with a rod and reel or a pole and line. We prohibit the possession of any other type of fishing gear, including limb lines, gill nets, jug lines, yo-yos or trotlines.

2. You may recreationally fish, crab, or cast net in the East Cove Unit year-round from legal sunrise to legal sunset, except during the State waterfowl season and when we close the Grand Bayou Boat Bay.

3. We prohibit fishing, crabbing, or cast netting from or trespassing on refuge water control structures at any time.

4. On East Cove Unit, we prohibit walking, wading, or climbing in or on the marsh, levees, or structures.

5. We allow sport fishing, crabbing, and cast netting in the canal and waterways adjacent to the Gibbstown Unit Bank Fishing Road and the Outfall Canal from March 15 through October 15.

6. We only allow nonpowered boats in the Bank Fishing Road waterways.

7. We allow only recreational crabbing with cotton hand lines or dropnets up to 24 inches (60 cm) outside diameter. We prohibit using floats on crab lines.

8. You must attend all lines, nets, and bait and remove them from the refuge (see § 27.93 of this chapter) when you leave.

9. We allow a daily limit of five dozen crabs per boat or vehicle.

10. We allow recreational cast netting for shrimp during the Louisiana Inland Shrimp

Season when we open the East Cove Unit for boats.

11. Allowed cast net size is in accordance with State regulations.

12. We allow a daily limit of 5 gallons (19 L) of heads-on shrimp per boat.

13. We only allow recreational cast netting for bait year-round when we open the East Cove Unit for boats.

14. We prohibit the use of ATVs, air-thrust boats, and personal motorized watercraft (Jet Skis) in any refuge area (see § 27.31(f) of this chapter).

15. You may operate outboard motors in refuge canals, bayous, and lakes. In the marsh we allow only trolling motors.

16. Condition A8 applies.

17. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

18. We allow cast netting for bait on both the East Cove Unit and the Gibbstown Unit in accordance with State regulations when the unit is open for public fishing only.

CAT ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunt brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters or anglers age 17 or older must possess and carry a valid, signed refuge Public Use Permit certifying that they understand and will comply with all regulations.

2. All users must obtain a daily use reporting card and place it in plain view on the dashboard of their vehicle so that the personal information is readable. Users must return cards to the refuge kiosk upon departure from the refuge.

3. Hunters may enter the refuge 2 hours before legal sunrise and must exit the refuge no later than 2 hours after legal sunset. We prohibit entering or remaining on the refuge before or after hours.

4. We prohibit possession of firearms in areas posted as “No Hunting Zones.”

5. You must use designated parking areas to participate in any refuge public use activity.

6. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than two youth hunters during waterfowl/upland game hunting.

7. We allow take of beaver, feral hog, nutria, raccoon, and coyote incidental to any refuge hunt with weapons legal for that hunt until you take the daily bag limit of game.

8. Hunters must report all harvested game on the back of the daily use reporting card prior to leaving the refuge.

9. We allow use of all-terrain vehicles on designated refuge trails (see §27.31 of this chapter) for wildlife-dependent activities from the first Saturday in September to the last day of the State-designated rabbit season. An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) is an off-road vehicle with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 lbs. (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25x12 with a maximum 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

10. We prohibit transport of loaded weapons on an ATV (see §27.42(b) of this chapter). For muzzleloaders, we define loaded as cap on primer.

11. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, trail or ATV trail, building, residence, or designated public facility.

12. We prohibit the possession or use of nonbiodegradable flagging tape.

13. We prohibit horses or mules.

14. We only allow parking in designated parking areas.

15. We prohibit camping or overnight parking on the refuge.

16. We prohibit air-thrust boats on the refuge.

17. We prohibit all other hunting during refuge lottery deer hunts.

18. We allow waterfowl hunting on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays until 12 p.m. (noon) during the designated State duck season.

19. Waterfowl hunters must remove boats, blinds, and decoys by 1 p.m. daily.

20. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

21. We prohibit accessing refuge property by boat from the Mississippi River.

22. Persons using the refuge are subject to inspection of permits, licenses, hunting equipment, bag limits, and boats and vehicles by law enforcement officers.

23. We allow nonmotorized or electric-powered boats only.

24. We prohibit trapping.

25. We prohibit the possession of saws, saw blades, or machetes.

26. We prohibit possession of alcohol (see §32.2(j)).

27. We prohibit ATVs on trails/roads (see §27.31 of this chapter) not specifically designated by signs for ATV use.

28. We prohibit all commercial activities (including, but not limited to, guiding).

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunt brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A3, A5 through A9, A11 through A17, A19, A21, A22, and A26 through A28 apply.

2. We allow the use of .22 caliber long rifles and shotguns to hunt upland game.

3. We allow the use of squirrel and rabbit dogs from the day after the close of the State-designated deer rifle season to the end of the State-designated season. We allow up to two dogs per hunting party for squirrel hunting.

4. We require the owner's name and phone number on the collars of all dogs.

5. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while hunting on the refuge (see §32.2(k)). This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

6. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunt brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A3, A5 through A9, A11 through A17, A19, A21, A22, and A26 through A28 apply.

2. We allow archery-only deer hunting on the refuge during the State archery deer season.

3. There will be two or three lottery gun hunts (primitive firearms/rifle) in November and December (see refuge brochure for details). We will set hunt dates in July, and we will accept applications from August 1 through August 31. Applicants may apply for more than one hunt. There is a \$5 application fee per person for each hunt application and a \$15 fee per person per permit for each successful applicant. We will notify successful applicants by September 5.

4. We allow only portable deer stands. Hunters may erect stands 2 days before the beginning of the refuge archery season and must remove them the last day of the State archery season (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter). Hunters may erect stands 2 days before hunting season; however, they must place them in a nonhunting position at the conclusion of each day's hunt.

5. We prohibit the use of dogs to trail wounded deer or hogs.

6. You must only use portable deer stands. Deer stands must have the owner's name, address, and phone number clearly printed on the stand.

7. We prohibit the use of dogs to trail wounded deer.

8. You may only take one deer of either sex per day during the deer season. State season limits apply. During the deer quota hunts,

you may only take one deer of either sex during the quota hunt weekend.

9. We require a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and in addition we require a hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange.

10. We prohibit driving or screwing nails, spikes, or other metal objects into trees or hunting from any tree into which such an object has been driven (see §32.2(i)).

11. We allow “still hunting” only. We prohibit man drives or use of dogs.

12. We prohibit use or possession of climbing spurs.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunting and fishing brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit commercial fishing or commercial crawfishing.

2. Conditions A1 through A3, A8, A9 (on the open portions of Wood Duck ATV trail for wildlife-dependent activities throughout the year), A13 through A16, A19, A21 through A23, and A26 through A28 apply.

3. We only allow hook and line to catch bait fish.

4. We prohibit slat traps or hoop nets on the refuge.

5. You may use trotlines and yo-yos on the refuge. The ends of trotlines must consist of a length of cotton line that extends from the points of attachment into the water. You must attend yo-yos (within sight) at all times.

6. We prohibit possession of cleaned or processed fish on the refuge.

7. We allow recreational crawfishing on the refuge subject to specific dates (see refuge brochure for details). The harvest limit is 100 pounds (45 kg) per permit per day.

8. You must attend all crawfish traps and nets at all times and may not leave them on the refuge overnight. We allow up to and not exceeding 20 traps per angler on the refuge.

9. We prohibit harvest of frog or turtle on the refuge (see §27.21 of this chapter).

10. We prohibit boat launching by trailer from all refuge roads and parking lots.

CATAHOULA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, gallinule, woodcock, rail, and snipe on designated areas of the Bushley Bayou Unit in accordance with State hunting regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must possess and carry a signed refuge hunting permit. Prior to entering and leaving the hunt area, we require hunters to sign in and out at designated locations as indicated on the refuge hunt/fish permit.

2. We allow goose, duck, and coot hunting on the Bushley Bayou Unit on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays only

from ½ hour before legal sunrise until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season.

3. We open the refuge to hunters 2 hours before official sunrise for migratory game bird hunting.

4. We allow use of ATVs on designated trails (see §27.31 of this chapter) subject to refuge-specific dates and terms (see refuge hunting brochure for details). We prohibit the use of an ATV on graveled roads designated for motor vehicle traffic unless otherwise posted. We only allow ATVs for wildlife-dependent activities. We define an ATV as an off-road vehicle (not legal for highway use) with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 pounds (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25 x 12 with a maximum 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

5. We require hunters to remove all portable blinds, boats, decoys, and other personal equipment (see §27.93 of this chapter) from the refuge by 1 p.m. daily.

6. We prohibit all migratory game bird hunting during deer-gun and primitive firearms hunts.

7. We prohibit hunting or shooting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, ATV trail, building, residence, or designated public facility. We prohibit parking, walking, or hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any active oil well site, production facility, or equipment.

8. We prohibit the use of air-thrust boats, inboard water-thrust boats, or personal watercraft. We only allow nonmotorized boats, boats with electric motors, or boats with a motor of 10 hp or less on Black Lake, Dempsey Lake, Long Lake, Rhinehart Lake, and Round Lake.

9. We prohibit the use of mules or horses.

10. Youth hunters under age 18 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

11. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)). This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

12. We prohibit the possession of buckshot, slugs, or rifle ammunition larger than .17 caliber rimfire while engaged in migratory game bird hunts.

13. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting or fishing guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting or fishing on the

refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

14. We prohibit marking areas or trails with tape, paint, paper, flagging, or any other material.

15. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds. We only allow dogs after the last refuge deer primitive firearms hunt, except when we allow them for waterfowl hunting throughout the entire refuge waterfowl season.

16. We prohibit camping or parking overnight on the refuge.

17. We prohibit parking on the refuge for access to adjoining nonrefuge property.

18. We prohibit vehicles having wheels with a wheel-tire combination having a radius of 17 inches (42.5 cm) or more from the center of the hub (measured horizontal to ground).

19. Refuge hunting seasons apply to all navigable waterways that are wholly within the refuge boundaries.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A4, A7 through A11, A13, A14, and A16 through A19 apply.

2. At the Headquarters Unit, we only allow squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and feral hog hunting from the first day of the State squirrel season through October 31.

3. At the Bushley Bayou Unit, we allow squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and feral hog hunting in accordance with the State season.

4. We open the refuge to hunters from 2 hours before legal sunrise until 2 hours after legal sunset.

5. We prohibit squirrel, rabbit, and raccoon hunting during deer-gun and primitive firearms hunts.

6. We prohibit the use of airboats, inboard water-thrust boats, or personal watercraft. We only allow nonmotorized boats, boats with electric motors, or boats with a motor of 10 hp or less on Black Lake, Dempsey Lake, Long Lake, Rhinehart Lake, and Round Lake of the Bushley Bayou Unit and Duck Lake, Cowpen Bayou, Willow Lake, and the Highway 28 and 84 borrow pits of the Headquarters Unit.

7. At the Headquarters Unit, we close upland and big game hunting during high water conditions with an elevation of 42 feet (12.6 m) or above as measured at the Corps of Engineers center of the lake gauge on Catahoula Lake. At the Bushley Bayou Unit, we close upland and big game hunting during high water conditions with an elevation of 44 feet (13.2 m) or above as measured at the Corps of Engineers center of the lake gauge on Catahoula Lake.

8. On the Bushley Bayou Unit, we allow the use of dogs to hunt squirrel, rabbit, and rac-

coon only after the last refuge deer-primitive firearms hunt. We allow no more than two dogs per hunting party for squirrel hunting. Hunters may use only beagles that do not exceed 15 inches (37.5 cm) at front shoulders for rabbit hunting.

9. Dog owners must place their names and phone numbers on the collars of all of their dogs.

10. We require hunters participating in special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel to wear a minimum of a hunter-orange cap. All other hunters and archers (while on the ground), except waterfowl hunters, also must wear a minimum of a hunter-orange cap during the special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A4, A7 through A9, A11, A13, A14, A16 through A19, B4 through B7, and B10 apply.

2. At the Bushley Bayou Unit, we allow deer-archery hunting during the State archery season, except when closed during deer-gun and deer-primitive firearms hunts. We allow either-sex, deer primitive firearms hunting during the first segment of the State season for Area 1, weekdays only (Monday through Friday) and the third weekend after Thanksgiving Day. We allow either-sex, deer-gun hunting for the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday immediately following Thanksgiving Day and for the second weekend following Thanksgiving Day.

3. At the Headquarters Unit, we allow deer-archery hunting during the State archery season, except when closed during the deer-gun hunt south of the French Fork of the Little River. We allow either-sex, deer-gun hunting on the fourth weekend after Thanksgiving Day on the area south of the French Fork of the Little River.

4. We allow portable stands and climbing stands, but hunters must remove them from the refuge daily (see § 27.93 of this chapter).

5. We prohibit possession of buckshot.

6. We require a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and in addition we require a hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange. You must wear the solid hunter-orange items while in the field.

7. You may only take one deer per day during any refuge deer hunt. The State season limits apply.

8. We prohibit the use of organized drives for taking or attempting to take game or using pursuit dogs.

9. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate

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of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than one youth hunter.

10. We prohibit the use of dogs to trail wounded deer.

11. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see § 32.2(h)).

12. Deer hunters hunting from concealed ground blinds must display a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of hunter orange above or around their blinds visible from 360°.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A4, A7, A9, A13, A14, A16, A17, and B6 apply.

2. We require anglers to possess and carry at all times a signed copy of a current refuge hunting/fishing permit.

3. At the Bushley Bayou Unit, we allow fishing and crawfishing year-round. We allow trotlines, but you must tend them at least once every 24 hours and reset them when receding water levels expose them. You must attach them with a length of cotton line that extends into the water. We allow yo-yos, but you must attend and only use them from 1 hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset. We only allow recreational gear (slat traps, wire nets, and hoop nets) by refuge Special Use Permit and only in Bushley Creek, Big Bushley Creek, and Little Bushley Creek.

4. At the Headquarters Unit, we allow year-round fishing on Cowpen Bayou and the Highway 28 borrow pits. We open fishing on the remainder of the Headquarters Unit including Duck Lake, Muddy Bayou, Willow Lake, and the Highway 84 borrow pits from March 1 through October 31. We only allow pole and line or rod and reel fishing. We prohibit snagging.

5. We allow fishing from 1 hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset.

6. At the Headquarters Unit, we only allow launching of trailered boats at designated boat ramps. You may launch small, hand-carried boats at nonboat ramp sites. We prohibit dragging boats or driving vehicles (see § 27.31 of this chapter) onto road shoulders to launch boats.

7. We prohibit the taking or possession of all snakes, frogs, turtles, salamanders, and mollusks by any means (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

8. We prohibit bank fishing on Bushley Creek and fishing in Black Lake, Dempsey Lake, Long Lake, Rhinehart Lake, and Round Lake during deer-gun and primitive firearms hunts. We prohibit fishing in Black

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Lake, Dempsey Lake, Long Lake, Rhinehart Lake, and Round Lake during waterfowl hunts.

D'ARBONNE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must possess and carry a signed refuge permit.

2. We prohibit waterfowl hunting in the “Beanfield” area west of Bayou D’Arbonne and between Holland’s Bluff Road and the “Big Powerline” east of Bayou D’Arbonne. We mark prohibited areas with blue paint and signs.

3. We prohibit woodcock hunting in the “Beanfield” area west of Bayou D’Arbonne.

4. We allow waterfowl hunting until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season except when closed during the special teal season and State youth waterfowl hunt.

5. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m.

6. We prohibit hunting within 100 feet (30 m) of the maintained rights of way of roads (see § 27.31 of this chapter), and from above-ground oil or gas or electrical transmission facilities.

7. We prohibit leaving boats, blinds, and decoys unattended.

8. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

9. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

10. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail, squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, and opossum on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A6, A9, and A10 apply.

2. We prohibit hunting in the “Beanfield” area west of Bayou D’Arbonne after October 31.

3. We prohibit possession of firearms larger than .22 caliber rimfire, shotgun slugs, and buckshot while engaged in upland game hunting.

4. You may hunt raccoon and opossum during the daylight hours of rabbit and squirrel season and at night during December and January. You may use dogs for night hunting. You may take raccoon and opossum on the refuge, but we prohibit their sale for human consumption.

5. You may use dogs to hunt squirrel and rabbit after the last refuge Gun Deer Hunt.

6. You may only use horses and mules to hunt raccoon and opossum at night after obtaining a special permit at the refuge office.

7. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m. and must exit no later than 2 hours after legal shooting hours.

8. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)). This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A3 (for gun deer hunting), A6, A10, and B7 apply.

2. We allow general gun deer hunting on the following days: the first consecutive Saturday and Sunday of November, the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday following Thanksgiving Day, and the second Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving Day. We allow archery deer hunting during the entire State season.

3. We allow a restricted Gun Deer Hunt for hunters with Class I Wheelchair Bound Permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries on the second consecutive Saturday and Sunday of November. Only permitted hunters may carry firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter).

4. The daily bag limit is one antlered and one antlerless deer. The State season limit applies.

5. You must check all deer taken during general Gun Deer Hunts at a refuge check station between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the same day taken unless stated otherwise in the annual refuge hunting brochure and permit.

6. Archery hunters must possess and carry proof of completion of the International Bowhunters Education Program.

7. We prohibit leaving deer stands, blinds, and other equipment unattended.

8. Deer hunters must wear hunter orange as per State deer hunting regulations on Wildlife Management Areas.

9. We prohibit hunters placing, or hunting from, stands on pine trees with white painted bands/rings.

10. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must

possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than one youth hunter.

11. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit leaving boats and other personal property on the refuge unattended.

2. You must tend trotlines daily. You must attach ends of trotlines by a length of cotton line that extends into the water.

3. We prohibit commercial fishing. Recreational fishing using commercial gear (slat traps, etc.) requires a special refuge permit (that you must possess and carry) available at the refuge office.

4. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

DELTA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, and coot on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions.

1. We allow waterfowl hunting on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 12 p.m. (noon), including the State special teal season, State youth waterfowl season, and State light goose special conservation season.

2. We only allow temporary blinds. You must remove both blinds and decoys (see §27.93 of this chapter) by 12 p.m. (noon).

3. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

4. Hunters must possess and carry a valid refuge hunt permit.

5. We only allow hunting on those portions of the refuge that lie northwest of Main Pass and south of Raphael Pass.

6. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while hunting on the refuge (see §32.2(k)). We prohibit possession of buckshot, slugs, rifles, or rifle ammunition.

7. We prohibit air-thrust boats, mud boats, and air-cooled propulsion engines on the refuge.

8. We close all refuge lands between Raphael Pass and Main Pass to all entry during the State waterfowl hunting season.

9. We prohibit discharge of firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter) within 250 yards (225 m) of buildings or worksites, such as oil or gas production facilities.

10. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact

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of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult must possess and carry a refuge permit and may supervise no more than two youth hunters

11. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

12. We open the refuge from ½ hour before legal sunrise to ½ hour after legal sunset with the exception that hunters may enter the refuge earlier, but not before 4 a.m.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. The refuge rabbit season opens the day after the State duck season closes and continues through the remainder of the State rabbit season.

2. We restrict hunting to shotgun only.

3. We allow dogs for rabbit hunting.

4. Conditions A4 through A10 (each adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters during upland game hunting), A11, and A12 apply.

C. Big Game Hunting. We only allow archery hunting of white-tailed deer and hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State archery regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A4 through A12 apply, with the following exception to condition A10: Each adult can only supervise one youth hunter.

2. We only allow recreational fishing and crabbing from ½ hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset. During State waterfowl hunting seasons; however, we only allow recreational fishing and crabbing from after 12 p.m. (noon) until ½ hour after legal sunset.

3. We allow archery deer hunting October 1 through 31 (either sex) and from the day after the close of the State duck season through the end of the State deer archery season.

4. Hunters must only use portable stands for archery deer hunting.

5. We prohibit dogs and driving of deer for archery deer hunting.

6. You may only take hog with archery equipment.

7. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals or other feed or any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see § 32.2(h)).

D. Sport Fishing. We allow recreational fishing and crabbing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We only allow recreational fishing and crabbing from ½ hour before legal sunrise

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until ½ hour after legal sunset. During State waterfowl hunting seasons; however, we only allow recreational fishing and crabbing from after 12 p.m. (noon) until ½ hour after legal sunset.

2. We prohibit all commercial finfishing and shellfishing.

3. We prohibit the use of trotlines, limblines, slat traps, jug lines, nets, or alligator lines.

4. Conditions A8, A10, and A11 apply

5. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

GRAND COTE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, mourning dove, snipe, rail, and woodcock on designated areas of the refuge (shown on the refuge hunting brochure map) in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require hunters and anglers age 16 and older to purchase and carry a signed refuge special recreational activity permit.

2. Hunters must check-in and check out subject to refuge-specific terms (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

3. The refuge opens at 4 a.m. and closes 1 hour after legal sunset.

4. Youth hunters under age 18 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters during waterfowl hunts.

5. You must use designated parking areas to participate in any refuge public use activity.

6. We prohibit camping or parking overnight on the refuge.

7. We prohibit discharge of firearms (see § 27.42 of this chapter) except when hunting.

8. We prohibit marking of trails with non-biodegradable flagging tape.

9. We allow use of ATVs on designated trails (see § 27.31 of this chapter) from the first Saturday in September to the last day of the State rabbit season. An ATV is an off-road vehicle with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 pounds (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25x12 with a maximum 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

10. We prohibit horses and mules.

11. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge road, trail or ATV trail, building, residence, or designated public facility.

12. We prohibit transport of loaded weapons on an ATV (see § 27.42(b) of this chapter).

13. We prohibit blocking of gates or trails (see § 27.31(h) of this chapter) with vehicles or ATVs.

14. We prohibit ATVs on trails/roads (see § 27.31 of this chapter) not specifically designated by signs for ATV use.

15. We only allow nonmotorized boats or electric-powered motors.

16. We allow incidental take of raccoon, feral hog, beaver, nutria, and coyote while you are hunting migratory birds, upland game, or big game, with weapons legal for that hunt only.

17. We only allow waterfowl (duck, goose, coot) hunting on Wednesdays and Saturdays until 12 p.m. (noon) during the Statewide duck season.

18. We only allow the use of shotguns while waterfowl hunting.

19. We prohibit handguns for hunting (see § 27.42 of this chapter).

20. You must remove all decoys, portable blinds, and boats (see § 27.93 of this chapter) daily.

21. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

22. The refuge will hold lotteries to hunt waterfowl from blinds on designated sections of the refuge during the regular State waterfowl season subject to refuge-specific dates, terms, and selection process (see refuge hunting brochure for details). Youth ages 10 to 17 and their adult co-applicant supervisors are given preference in these lottery hunts. Once selected in the lottery, the youth co-applicant must be present on the day of the hunt for the permit to be valid. In the event that we receive no youth applications for a given hunting date, we will fill blinds with adult applicants for that date. All hunts are subject to water availability.

23. Individuals utilizing the refuge are subject to inspections of permits, licenses, hunting equipment, bag limits, and boats and vehicles by law enforcement officers.

24. We prohibit the possession of saws, saw blades, or machetes.

25. We prohibit trapping.

26. Hunting is subject to closure due to high water conditions.

27. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of rabbit on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunting brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A11, and A13 through A16, A20, and A24 through A28 apply.

2. We allow rabbit hunting during the State season.

3. We only allow rabbit dogs after the close of the State deer rifle season.

4. We require the owner's name and phone number on the collars of all dogs.

5. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot (see § 32.2(k)) for upland game hunting. This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

6. We allow the use of .22 caliber or less rimfire rifles or shotguns to hunt upland game.

7. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see § 32.2(h)).

8. We require hunters participating in special dog seasons for rabbit to wear a minimum of an unbroken, hunter-orange cap. All other hunters and archers (while on the ground), except waterfowl hunters, also must wear an unbroken, hunter-orange cap during the special dog seasons for rabbit.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunting brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A11, and A13 through A16, A20, A24 through A28, B6, and B7 apply.

2. We allow archery hunting in designated units subject to refuge-specific dates and harvest restrictions (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

3. We allow only portable deer stands (see §§ 27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter). Deer stands must have the owner's name, address, and phone number clearly printed on the stand. Hunters may erect stands 2 days before hunting season; however, they must place stands in a nonhunting position at the conclusion of each hunt and remove them on the last day of the State archery deer season.

4. We prohibit hunters to drive deer or to use pursuit dogs. We prohibit the use of dogs to trail wounded deer or hogs.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing and seasonal take of crawfish in designated waters of the refuge as shown on the crawfish permit map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A5, A6, A10, A11, A13 through A15, A19, A20, and A26 apply.

2. We only allow bank fishing in Coulee Des Grues along Little California Road.

3. We only allow fishing with pole and line.

4. We prohibit leaving parking areas to fish until legal sunrise.

5. We allow fishing and crawfishing from legal sunrise to legal sunset.

6. We allow recreational crawfishing subject to refuge-specific dates and terms (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

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7. We require anglers to take crawfish using pyramid nets with webbing made of cotton or nylon. We prohibit wire traps.

8. You may harvest 100 lbs. (45 kg) of crawfish per permit per day.

9. We prohibit sale of crawfish taken from the refuge.

10. We prohibit glass containers on the refuge.

11. You must remove all crawfishing gear (see § 27.93 of this chapter) from refuge property after each day's visit.

12. We prohibit possession of cleaned or processed fish on the refuge.

13. We prohibit the harvest of frog, turtle, snake, or mollusk (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

14. We prohibit launching boats with trailers, put or placed, in Coulee des Grues from refuge property.

LACASSINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, gallinule, and coot on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require every individual hunter to possess and carry a signed refuge hunting permit.

2. We only allow hunting on designated areas of the refuge. These areas include the marshes south of the Intracoastal Waterway and the area east of the Lacassine Bayou excluding Unit B (lottery hunt area west of Streeter Road), Unit F, and the headquarters area along Streeter Road (see refuge map).

3. We allow hunting Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the State teal and duck seasons (western zone). We close the refuge to hunting during the "goose only" waterfowl season. State daily and season harvest limits apply.

4. We prohibit entering the hunting area earlier than 4 a.m., and shooting hours end at 12 p.m. (noon) each day.

5. We only allow firearms (see § 27.42 of this chapter) legal for waterfowl hunting in the refuge hunting area.

6. We prohibit all boat motors, including trolling motors, in refuge marshes. We prohibit air-thrust boats and ATVs on the refuge (see § 27.31(f) of this chapter).

7. We prohibit hunting within 50 yards (45 m) of refuge canals; waterways; public roads; buildings; aboveground oil, gas, or electrical transmission facilities; or designated public facilities. Hunting parties must remain a distance of no less than 150 yards (135 m) away from another hunter.

8. All hunters born on or after September 1, 1969, must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. For

waterfowl hunts, one adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

9. You must remove all hunting-related equipment (see § 27.93 of this chapter) immediately following each day's hunt.

10. Limited permit waterfowl hunting consists of youth (age 17 and younger) and senior (age 55 and older) lottery hunts. We provide hunt dates and application information to the public through the media early each fall. We notify successful applicants prior to the applicable hunt season. The permitted youth and/or senior must be present in the blind for his/her guest to hunt. We allow only successful applicants and their guests within Unit B.

11. We prohibit overnight camping on the refuge.

12. We prohibit possession of alcohol in the hunt areas during the hunting season.

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow archery as the only form of hunting for white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A6, A8 (each adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter during big game hunts), A9, A11, and A12 apply.

2. We only allow archery hunting for white-tailed deer from October 1 through October 31.

3. We prohibit entrance to the hunting area earlier than 4 a.m. Hunters must leave no later than 1 hour after legal sunset.

4. We prohibit hunting in the headquarters area along Nature Road and along the Lacassine Pool Wildlife Drive (see refuge map).

5. We allow boats of all motor types and of 25 hp or less in Lacassine Pool.

6. We prohibit boats in Lacassine Pool and Unit D from October 16 through March 14. We prohibit boats in Units A and C.

7. We allow only foot access to the Unit F area.

8. We prohibit firearms while deer hunting or scouting.

9. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed on any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see § 32.2(h)).

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A11, C7, and C8 apply.

2. We allow fishing March 15 through October 15.

3. You may enter the refuge 1 hour before legal sunrise, and you must leave 1 hour after legal sunset.

4. We prohibit fishing in the headquarters display pond.

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5. We prohibit bank fishing from the Lacassine Pool Wildlife Drive.

6. We prohibit air-thrust boats, ATVs, and Jet Skis on the refuge (see §27.31(f) of this chapter).

7. We prohibit dragging or driving of boats over levees.

8. You must only launch trailered boats at the cement ramps at the public boat launches in Lacassine Pool.

9. We only allow boats powered by paddling or trolling motors in the Unit D impoundment within Lacassine Pool.

10. We prohibit motors in the refuge marshes outside of Lacassine Pool.

11. We only allow fishing with rod and reel or pole and line on refuge waters.

12. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

LAKE OPHELIA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, woodcock, snipe, rail, and mourning dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require hunters and anglers age 16 and older to purchase and carry a signed refuge special recreational activity permit.

2. Hunters must check-in and check out subject to refuge-specific terms (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

3. The refuge opens at 4 a.m. and closes 1 hour after legal sunset.

4. Youth hunters under age 18 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters during waterfowl hunts.

5. You must use designated parking areas to participate in any refuge public use activity.

6. We prohibit camping or parking overnight on the refuge.

7. We prohibit marking of trails with non-biodegradable flagging tape.

8. We allow use of ATVs on designated trails (see §27.31 of this chapter) from the first Saturday in September until the last day of refuge turkey season. We define ATV as an off-road vehicle with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 lbs. (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25x12 with a maximum 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi (3.15 kg) as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

9. We prohibit horses or mules.

10. We prohibit hunting or shooting within 150 feet (45 m) of any public road, refuge

road, ATV trail, hiking trail, building, residence, designated public facility, or active oil well site, production facility, or equipment.

11. We prohibit transport of loaded weapons on an ATV (see §27.42(b) of this chapter). For muzzleloaders, we define loaded as cap on primer.

12. We prohibit blocking of gates or trails (see §27.31(h) of this chapter) with vehicles or ATVs.

13. We prohibit all other hunting during refuge lottery primitive firearms deer hunts.

14. We allow incidental take of raccoon, feral hog, beaver, nutria, and coyote while migratory bird hunting, upland game hunting, and big game hunting with weapons legal for that hunt.

15. We allow motors up to 25 hp in Possum Bayou (north of Boat Ramp), Palmetto Bayou, Duck Lake, Westcut Lake, Pt. Basse, and Nicholas Lake.

16. We allow electric-powered or non-motorized boats in Dooms Lake, Lake Long, and Possum Bayou (south of Boat Ramp).

17. We only allow waterfowl (duck, goose, coot) hunting on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays until 12 p.m. (noon) during the Statewide duck season.

18. We only allow the use of shotguns while waterfowl hunting.

19. You must remove all decoys, portable blinds, and boats (see §27.93 of this chapter) daily.

20. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

21. We will allow incidental take of mourning dove while migratory bird hunting on days open to waterfowl hunting.

22. Persons using the refuge are subject to inspections of permits, licenses, hunting equipment, bag limits, boats, and vehicles by law enforcement officers.

23. We prohibit trapping.

24. We prohibit handguns for hunting (see §27.42 of this chapter).

25. We prohibit vehicles having wheels with a wheel-tire combination having a radius of 17 inches (42.5 cm) or more from the center of the hub (measured horizontal to ground).

26. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that any other individual(s) pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for services rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging or club membership.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunting brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A16, A19, and A22 through A26 apply.

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2. We allow squirrel and rabbit hunting in Hunt Unit 2B subject to refuge-specific dates and terms (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

3. We only allow squirrel and rabbit dogs after the close of the State deer rifle season. We allow no more than two dogs per hunting party.

4. Dog owners must place their name and phone number on the collars of all their dogs.

5. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot (see §32.2(k)) for upland game hunting. This requirement only applies to the use of shotgun ammunition.

6. We allow the use of .22 caliber or less rimfire rifles or shotguns to hunt upland game.

7. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

8. We require hunters participating in special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel to wear a minimum of an unbroken hunter-orange cap. All other hunters and archers (while on the ground), except waterfowl hunters, also must wear an unbroken hunter-orange cap during the special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and turkey on designated areas of the refuge as shown on the refuge hunting brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A3, A5 through A16, A19, A22 through A26, B7, and B8 apply.

2. We only allow portable deer stands (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter). We require hunters to permanently attach their name, address, and phone number to the deer stand. Hunters may erect stands 2 days before hunting season; however, they must place stands in a nonhunting position at the conclusion of each hunt and remove them on the last day of the State archery deer season.

3. We allow archery hunting in Units 1A, 1B, 2A, and 2B subject to refuge-specific date and harvest restrictions (see refuge hunting brochure for dates).

4. We allow youth to hunt deer in the closed area during the lottery youth deer season. These gun hunts are subject to the refuge-specific dates, terms, and selection process (see refuge hunting brochure for details). Youth selected in prior years' hunts may not apply.

5. We prohibit the use of organized drives for taking or attempting to take game or using pursuit dogs.

6. We allow archery equipment only during designated seasons.

7. We prohibit the use of dogs to trail wounded deer.

8. We allow electric-powered or non-motorized boats in Lake Ophelia from November 1 through December 15 (see refuge hunting brochure for details).

9. You may kill one deer of either sex per day during the refuge archery season. Deer killed on the refuge count towards the State bag limit.

10. We require a minimum of 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of unbroken hunter orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back, and in addition we require a hat or cap of unbroken hunter orange during all deer lottery youth gun hunts and quota primitive firearms hunts. Deer hunters hunting from concealed ground blinds must display above or around their blinds a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange which is visible from 360°.

11. Youth hunters under age 18 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise only one youth hunter during big game hunts.

12. There will be lottery deer primitive firearm hunts subject to refuge-specific dates, terms, and selection process (see refuge hunting brochure for details). Applicants may not apply for more than one hunt. There is a \$5 nonrefundable application fee per person for each hunt application.

13. We prohibit driving or screwing nails, spikes, or other metal objects into trees or hunting from any tree in which such an object has been driven (see §32.2(i)).

14. We only allow turkey hunting during the first 14 days of the State season until 12 p.m. (noon).

15. We allow the use and possession of lead shot for turkey hunting (see §32.2(k)).

16. We prohibit the possession of saws, saw blades, or machetes.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing in designated areas as described in the refuge hunting brochure in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A5 through A9, A19 (see §27.93 of this chapter), and A22 through A25 apply.

2. We allow sport fishing in Duck Lake, Westcut Lake, Possum Bayou, Lake Long, and the immediate vicinity of the Lake St. Agnes drainage culverts on the Red River.

3. We prohibit the use of gear or equipment other than hook and line to catch bait fish.

4. We allow fishing from March 1 through October 15 from legal sunrise to legal sunset.

5. You must attend yo-yos (within sight) at all times.

6. We prohibit possession of largemouth bass less than 14 inches long (35 cm) and

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black and white crappie less than 10 inches long (25 cm).

7. We prohibit cleaned or processed fish on the refuge.

8. We allow use of ATVs on the Duck Lake ATV trail from March 15 through October 15.

9. We prohibit the harvest of frog, turtle, snake, or mollusk (see §27.21 of this chapter).

10. We prohibit crawfishing.

MANDALAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of migratory game birds in designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow hunting of migratory game birds on Wednesdays and Saturdays until 12 p.m. (noon). Hunters may only enter the refuge after 4 a.m.

2. Prior to hunting, we must assign a refuge blind and issue a refuge lottery waterfowl permit to any person entering, using, or occupying the refuge for hunting migratory game birds. You may only hunt from your assigned blind.

3. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter under age 16 must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two refuge-permitted youth hunters. We require all adult supervisors and hunters of migratory waterfowl to possess and carry a State Hunter Safety Course Certificate.

4. All hunters must check-in and check out at a refuge self-clearing check station. Each hunter must list their name and certificate number on the self-clearing check station form and deposit the form at a refuge self-clearing check station prior to hunting. Hunters must report all game taken on the refuge when checking out by using the self-clearing check station form.

5. Only one adult may occupy a blind with up to two youths during a designated Lottery Youth Waterfowl Hunt. We allow no more than three hunters to hunt from a blind at one time during any waterfowl hunt.

6. We prohibit firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter) other than those used to take migratory game birds in boats or in the possession of migratory game bird hunters.

7. We prohibit air-thrust boats or marsh buggies on the refuge. We restrict motorized boat use to existing canals, ditches, trenasses, and ponds.

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow the hunting of white-tailed deer and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We open the refuge to hunting of deer and hog during the State archery season, except prior to 12 p.m. (noon) on Wednesdays and Saturdays during State waterfowl seasons, when we close areas north of the Intra-coastal Waterway to hunting of big game.

2. Hunters may only enter the refuge after 4 a.m. and must exit by 1 hour after legal sunset.

3. You may take big game with archery equipment and in accordance with State law. From October 1 through October 15, State bucks-only regulations are in effect. From October 16 through February 15 you may take only one deer of either sex per day and hunters may possess only one deer. The State season limits on deer apply. There is no daily or possession limit on feral hogs.

4. All hunters must possess and carry proof of completion of the International Bowhunters' Education Program when hunting.

5. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals or other feed, or any nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

6. Conditions A3 (except that an adult may supervise only one youth), A4, and A7 apply.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing in all refuge waters in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We only allow recreational fishing. We prohibit commercial fishing on the refuge.

2. We prohibit the use of unattended nets, traps, or lines (trot, jog, bush, etc.).

3. We allow fishing in the refuge year-round.

4. The refuge is open from legal sunrise until legal sunset unless specifically stated otherwise.

5. Condition A7 applies.

6. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

RED RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of waterfowl (duck, goose, coot, gallinule, rail, and snipe), woodcock, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must possess and carry a signed refuge permit.

2. We allow waterfowl hunting until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season.

3. We allow dove hunting on the days noted in the refuge brochure.

4. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m.

5. We prohibit hunting within 100 feet (30 m) of the maintained rights of way of roads, from or across ATV trails, and from above-ground oil, gas, or electrical transmission facilities.

6. We prohibit leaving boats, blinds, and decoys unattended.

7. We only allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

8. Youth hunters under age 16 must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

9. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that pays other individual(s), pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for service rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

B. Small Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail, squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, coyote, and opossum on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A4, A5, A7, and A8 (to hunt small game) apply.

2. We allow hunting of raccoon and opossum during the daylight hours of rabbit and squirrel season. We allow night hunting during December and January. We prohibit the selling of raccoon and opossum taken on the refuge for human consumption.

3. We allow the use of dogs to hunt squirrel and rabbit during January and February.

4. To use horses and mules to hunt raccoon and opossum at night, hunters must first obtain a Special Use Permit at the refuge office.

5. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m. and must exit no later than 2 hours after legal shooting hours.

6. We allow coyote hunting during all open refuge hunts with weapons legal for the ongoing hunt.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer, feral hogs, and turkey on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A4, A5, A7, and A8 (to hunt big game; each adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter) and B6 apply.

2. We allow general gun deer hunting on the days noted. We allow archery deer hunting during the entire State season.

3. The daily bag limit is one either-sex deer. State season limit applies.

4. Deer hunters must wear hunter orange as required by State deer hunting regulations on Wildlife Management Areas.

5. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait while in the field and hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, mineral, or any nonnatural occurring food attractant on the refuge.

6. We allow hog hunting during all open refuge hunts with weapons legal for the ongoing hunt.

7. We allow turkey hunting on the days noted in the brochure.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit leaving boats and other personal property on the refuge unattended.

2. We prohibit boat launching with motors greater than 50 hp on all refuge waters.

3. You must tend trotlines daily. You must attach ends of trotlines by a length of cotton line that extends into the water.

4. We prohibit commercial fishing. Recreational fishing using commercial gear (slat traps, etc.) requires a special refuge permit (that you must possess and carry) available at the refuge office.

5. We prohibit the taking of alligator snapping turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

SABINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of light and white-fronted goose, duck, and coot on areas designated by signs stating "Waterfowl Hunting Only" and delineated in the refuge regulations and on the permit brochure map in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require all hunters to possess and carry a signed refuge permit.

2. We allow waterfowl hunting only on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during the State teal season and during the regular State waterfowl season for the west zone.

3. We allow hunters to enter the refuge and launch boats only after 3 a.m. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m. (noon) each day.

4. All hunters born on or after September 1, 1969, must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course and possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. For waterfowl hunts, one adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

5. You may access the hunt areas via the boat launches at the West Cove Public Use Area, by vehicle on Vastar Road, and at designated turnouts within the refuge public hunt area along State Highway 27 (see §27.31 of this chapter), unless otherwise posted. We prohibit refuge entrance through adjacent private property or using the refuge to access private property or leases.

6. We allow launching of boats on trailers only at West Cove Public Use Area. We allow hand launching of small boats along Vastar Road (no trailers permitted).

7. We prohibit dragging boats across the levee.

8. We allow operation of outboard motors only in designated refuge canals and Old North Bayou. We allow trolling motors within the refuge marshes.

9. We prohibit air-thrust boats and personal motorized watercraft (e.g., Jet Skis) unless otherwise posted.

10. You must use only portable blinds and those made of native vegetation. You must remove portable blinds, decoys, spent shells, and all other personal equipment (see §§ 27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter) each day.

11. We prohibit hunting within 50 yards (45 m) of refuge canals, waterways, public roads, buildings, above-ground oil, gas or electrical transmission facilities, or designated public facilities. Hunting parties must maintain a distance of no less than 150 yards (135 m) away from another hunter.

12. Each hunter must complete a Hunter Information Card at a self-clearing check station after each hunt and before leaving the refuge.

13. We prohibit any person or group from acting as guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity in which any other individual(s) pay or promise to pay directly or indirectly for service rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

14. We allow dogs to only locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds.

15. We prohibit all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) (see § 27.31(f) of this chapter).

B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]

C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing, crabbing, and cast netting in designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Bank and wharf access for fishing are available year-round at the Public Use Areas along State Highway 27. You may only access the refuge by boat during the March 15 to October 15 open period.

2. We allow use of rod and reel, pole and line, or jug and line. We prohibit the use or possession of any other type of fishing gear, including limb lines, gill nets, or trot lines. We limit jug and line to 10 per boat, and you must attend them at all times. You must mark all jugs with the attendant's fishing license number and remove them (see § 27.93 of this chapter) from the refuge daily.

3. You must only launch boats with motors at the designated boat ramps at the Hog Island Gully and West Cove Public Use Areas.

4. We allow only nonmotorized boats in the 1A and 1B management units.

5. We only allow operation of outboard motors in designated refuge canals, Old North Bayou, and Management Unit 3 (40 hp maximum in Unit 3). We allow trolling motors within the refuge marshes.

6. Conditions A7, A9, A13 (fishing guide), and A15 apply.

7. We allow anglers to enter the refuge by boat from 1 hour before legal sunrise to 1 hour after legal sunset in order to access

fishing areas. We prohibit fishing activities, however, before legal sunrise and after legal sunset.

8. Crabbing: We allow recreational crabbing in designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

i. You must take crabs only with cotton hand lines or drop nets up to 24 inches (60 cm) outside diameter. We prohibit use of floats on crab lines.

ii. You must remove all hand lines, drop nets, and bait (see § 27.93 of this chapter) from the refuge upon leaving.

iii. We allow a daily limit on crabs of 5 dozen (60) per vehicle or boat.

9. Cast Netting: We allow cast netting in designated areas of the refuge only during the Louisiana Inland Shrimp Season subject to the following conditions:

i. We allow cast netting only from 12 p.m. (noon) to legal sunset.

ii. We only allow recreational cast netting for shrimp. You must immediately return all fish, crabs, or other incidental take (by catch) to the water before continuing to cast net.

iii. We allow a daily shrimp limit of 5 gallons (19 L) of heads-on shrimp per day, per vehicle, or per boat.

iv. Shrimp must remain in your actual custody while on the refuge.

v. You may cast net only from the bank and wharves at Hog Island Gully and Blue Crab Public Use Areas and 1A-1B Public Use Areas or at sites along Hwy. 27 that provide developed safe access and that we do not post and sign as closed areas.

vi. We prohibit cast netting at or around the Northline and West Cove Public Use Area or on or around any boat launch.

vii. You may cast net from a boat throughout the refuge except where posted and signed as closed.

viii. We prohibit reserving a place or saving a space for yourself or others by any means to include placing unattended equipment in designated cast-netting areas.

ix. We prohibit swimming and/or wading in the refuge canals or wading in the canals and waterways.

10. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

TENSAS RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, coot, woodcock, and snipe on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow hunting of duck and coot on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season. We prohibit migratory bird hunting during refuge gun hunts for deer.

2. We allow hunting of woodcock on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations.

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3. We allow refuge hunters to enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m., and they must leave no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless they are participating in the refuge raccoon hunt.

4. In areas posted "Area Closed" or "No Waterfowl Hunting Zone," we prohibit hunting of migratory birds at any time. The Public Use Regulations brochure will be available at the refuge headquarters in July.

5. We allow shotguns equipped with a single-piece magazine plug that allows the gun to hold no more than two shells in the magazine and one in the chamber. We prohibit target practicing or shooting to unload modern firearms on the refuge at any time. Shotgun hunters must possess only an approved nontoxic shot when hunting migratory birds (see § 32.2(k)). We require hunters to unload and encase all guns transported in automobiles and boats or on all-terrain vehicles (see § 27.42(b) of this chapter). We allow firearms on the refuge only during the refuge hunting season.

6. We prohibit permanent or pit blinds on the refuge. You must remove all blind materials and decoys following each day's hunt.

7. We allow nonmotorized boats, electric motors, and boats with motors 10 hp or less in refuge lakes, streams, and bayous. We require that boat passengers wear personal flotation devices when using a boat to access the refuge. Hunters must equip all motorized boats with navigation lights and use them according to State regulations. We prohibit boat storage on the refuge. Hunters must remove boats daily (see § 27.93 of this chapter).

8. We require all waterfowl hunters to report their game immediately after each hunt at the check station nearest to the point of take.

9. We prohibit baiting or the possession of bait while on the refuge at any time (see § 32.2(h)).

10. We allow all-terrain vehicle (ATV) travel on designated trails for access typically from September 15 to the last day of the refuge squirrel season. We open designated trails from 4 a.m. to no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless otherwise specified. We define an ATV as an off-road vehicle (not legal for highway use) with factory specifications not to exceed the following: Weight 750 pounds (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25 × 12 with a 1 inch (2.5 cm) lug height and maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi. We require an affixed refuge ATV permit that hunters may obtain from the refuge headquarters, typically in July. Hunters using the refuge physically challenged all-terrain trails must possess the State's Physically Challenged Program Hunter Permit. Additional physically challenged access informa-

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tion will be available at the refuge headquarters.

11. While visiting the refuge, we prohibit: spotlighting (see § 27.73 of this chapter), littering (see § 27.94 of this chapter), fires (see § 27.95(a) of this chapter), trapping, man-drives for game, possession of alcoholic beverages in hunting areas (see §§ 32.2(j) and 27.81 of this chapter), possession of open alcoholic beverage containers, flagging, engineers tape, paint, unleashed pets (see § 26.21(b) of this chapter), and parking/blocking trail and gate entrances (see § 27.31(h) of this chapter). We also prohibit hunting or shooting within 150 feet (45 m) of a designated public road, maintained road, trail, fire breaks, dwellings, and above-ground oil and gas production facilities. We define a maintained road or trail as one which has been mowed, disked, or plowed.

12. We require a Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge Access Permit for all migratory bird hunts. You may find the permit on the front of the Public Use Regulations brochure.

13. We prohibit field dressing of game within 150 feet (45 m) of parking areas, maintained roads, and trails.

14. We require a refuge access permit for all migratory bird hunts. You may find permits on the front of the Public Use Regulations brochure.

15. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult can supervise no more than two youth hunters during waterfowl hunts.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of raccoon, squirrel, and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow raccoon hunting beginning January 1 and typically ending the first week in February. We allow raccoon hunters to hunt from legal sunset to legal sunrise with the aid of dogs, horses, mules, and use of lights. We only allow such use of lights on the refuge at the point of kill. We prohibit all other use of lights for hunting on the refuge. Hunt dates will be available at refuge headquarters in July. We prohibit ATVs during the raccoon hunt.

2. We allow squirrel and rabbit hunting with and without dogs. We will allow hunting without dogs from the beginning of the State season and typically ending the day before the refuge deer primitive firearms hunt. We do not require you to wear hunter orange during the squirrel and rabbit hunt without dogs. Squirrel and rabbit hunting with or without dogs will begin the day after the refuge deer primitive firearms hunt and

will end the last day of the refuge squirrel season, which typically ends on February 15.

3. We close squirrel and rabbit hunting during the following gun hunts for deer: refuge-wide youth hunt, primitive firearms hunt, and modern firearms hunt.

4. We allow hunters to enter the refuge after 4 a.m., and they must depart no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless they are participating in the refuge raccoon hunt.

5. In areas posted "Area Closed," we prohibit upland game hunting at any time.

6. We allow .22 caliber rimfire weapons and shotguns equipped with a single-piece magazine plug that allows the gun to hold no more than two shells in the magazine and one in the chamber. We prohibit target practicing or shooting to unload modern firearms on the refuge at any time. Shotgun hunters must possess only an approved nontoxic shot when hunting upland game (see §32.2(k)). We require hunters to unload and encase all guns transported in automobiles and boats or on all-terrain vehicles (see §27.42(b) of this chapter). We define loaded as shells in gun or caps on muzzleloader. We allow firearms on the refuge only during the refuge hunting season.

7. We require all upland game hunters to report their game immediately after each hunt at the check station nearest to the point of take.

8. Conditions A7, A10, A11, and A13 apply.

9. We prohibit any hunter from using climbing spikes or to hunt from a tree that contains screw-in steps, nails, screw-in umbrellas, or any metal objects that could damage trees (see §32.2(i)).

10. We require a Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge Access Permit for all upland game hunts. Hunters will find permits on the front of the Public Use Regulations brochure.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and turkey on designated areas of refuges in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Deer archery season will begin the first Saturday in November and will conclude on the last day of the State archery season (typically January 31). We prohibit archery hunting during the following refuge-wide deer hunts: youth gun hunt and modern firearms hunts. We prohibit possession of pods, drug-tipped arrows, or other chemical substances.

2. The deer primitive firearms season will last 3 days and occur on a Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in January. We will allow inline primitive firearms and magnified scopes.

3. We will conduct two 2-day quota, modern-firearms hunts for deer typically in the month of December. Hunt dates and permit application procedures will be available at refuge headquarters in July. We restrict hunters using a primitive firearm during this

hunt to areas where we allow modern firearms.

4. We will conduct guided quota youth deer hunts and guided quota deer hunts for the physically challenged in the Greenlea Bend area typically in December and January. Hunt dates and permit application procedures will be available at the refuge headquarters in July.

5. We will conduct a refuge-wide youth deer hunt during the Statewide youth hunt week-end typically in November. Hunt dates will be available at refuge headquarters in July. Each participating youth must be ages 8 to 15, must possess proof of completion of an approved Hunter Safety Course, and must be accompanied at all times by an adult age 21 or older. Each hunting adult can supervise only one youth.

6. Hunters may take only one deer (one buck or one doe) per day during refuge deer hunts except during guided youth and physically challenged hunts where the limit will be one antlerless and one antlered deer per day.

7. We allow turkey hunting the first 16 days of the State turkey season. We will conduct a youth turkey hunt the Saturday and Sunday before the regular State turkey season. Hunters may harvest two bearded turkeys per season. We allow the use and possession of lead shot while turkey hunting on the refuge. We allow use of nonmotorized bicycles on designated all-terrain vehicle trails. Although you may hunt turkey without displaying a solid-hunter-orange cap or vest during your turkey hunt, we do recommend its use.

8. We allow refuge hunters to enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m., and they must depart no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless they are participating in the refuge raccoon hunt.

9. In areas posted "Area Closed," we prohibit big game hunting at any time. We close "Closed Areas" (designated on the Public Use Regulations brochure map) to all hunts. We prohibit shooting into or across any closed area with a gun or archery equipment.

10. We allow shotguns that are equipped with a single-piece magazine plug that allows the gun to hold no more than two shells in the magazine and one in the chamber. We allow shotgun hunters to use rifled slugs only when hunting deer. We prohibit hunters using or possessing buckshot while on the refuge. We prohibit target practicing or shooting to unload modern firearms on the refuge at any time. We require hunters to unload and encase all guns transported in automobiles and boats or on all-terrain vehicles (see §27.42(b) of this chapter). We define loaded as shells in gun or caps on muzzleloader. We allow firearms on the refuge only during the refuge hunting season.

11. We allow primitive firearms hunters to discharge their primitive firearms at the end

of each hunt safely into the ground at least 150 feet (135 m) from any designated public road, maintained road, trail, fire break, dwelling, or above-ground oil and gas production facility. We define a maintained road or trail as one that has been mowed, disked, or plowed, or one that is free of trees.

12. We allow all-terrain vehicle travel on designated trails for access typically from September 15 to the last day of the refuge squirrel season. Designated trails are open from 4 a.m. to no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless otherwise specified. We define an ATV as an off-road vehicle (not legal for highway use) with factory specifications not to exceed the following: weight 750 pounds (338 kg), length 85 inches (213 cm), and width 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25x12 with a 1-inch (2.5-cm) lug height and maximum allowable tire pressure of 7psi. We require an affixed refuge all-terrain vehicle permit that hunters may obtain from the refuge headquarters typically in July. Hunters using the refuge physically challenged all-terrain trails must possess the State's Physically Challenged Program Hunter Permit. Additional physically challenged access information will be available at the refuge headquarters.

13. We allow nonmotorized boats, electric motors, and boats with motors 10 horsepower or less in refuge lakes, streams, and bayous. We require that boat passengers wear personal flotation devices when using a boat to access the refuge. Hunters must equip all motorized boats with navigation lights and utilize them according to State regulations. We prohibit storage of boats on the refuge. Hunters must remove them daily.

14. We prohibit deer hunters leaving deer stands unattended before the opening day of the refuge archery season. They must remove stands by the end of the last day of the refuge archery season. Hunters must clearly mark stands left unattended on the refuge with the name and address of the stand owner. Hunters must remove portable stands from trees daily and place freestanding stands in a nonhunting position when unattended.

15. We require deer hunters using primitive firearms or modern firearms to display a solid-hunter-orange cap on their head and a solid-hunter-orange vest over their outermost garment covering their chest and back. Hunters must display the solid-hunter-orange items the entire time while in the field.

16. We require primitive firearms and modern firearms hunters using ground blinds to display outside of the blind 400 square inches (2,600 cm²) of hunter orange, which is visible from all sides of the blind. Hunters must wear orange vests and hats as their outermost garments while inside the blind.

17. We require all deer and turkey hunters to report their game immediately after each

hunt at the check station nearest to the point of take.

18. We prohibit baiting or the possession of bait while on the refuge at any time (see §32.2(h)). We prohibit possession of chemical baits or attractants used as bait.

19. We prohibit any hunter to use climbing spikes or hunt from a tree that contains screw-in steps, nails, screw-in umbrellas, or any metal objects that could damage trees or to possess any such items (see §32.2(i)).

20. While visiting the refuge, we prohibit: spotlighting (see §27.73 of this chapter), littering (see §27.94 of this chapter), fires (see §27.95 of this chapter), trapping, man-drives for game, possession of alcoholic beverages in hunting areas, possession of open alcoholic beverages (see §§32.2(j) and 27.81 of this chapter), flagging, engineer's tape, paint, unleashed pets (see §26.21(b) of this chapter), parking/blocking trail and gate entrances (see §27.31(h) of this chapter). We also prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of a designated public road, maintained road, trail, fire break, dwelling, and above-ground oil and gas production facility. We define a maintained road or trail as one that has been mowed, disked, or plowed.

21. We require a Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge Access Permit for all big game hunts. Hunters may find the permit on the front of the Public Use Regulations brochure.

22. We prohibit field dressing of game within 150 feet (45 m) of parking areas, maintained roads, and trails.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow anglers to enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m., and they must depart no later than 2 hours after legal sunset.

2. On areas open to fishing, State creel limits and regulations apply.

3. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

4. We allow anglers to operate non-motorized boats, electric motors, and boats with motors 10 horsepower or less in refuge lakes, streams, and bayous. We require that boat passengers wear personal flotation devices when using a boat under power to access the refuge. Anglers must equip all motorized boats with navigation lights and use them according to State regulations. We prohibit boat storage on the refuge, and anglers must remove boats daily.

5. We allow all-terrain vehicle (ATV) travel on designated trails for access typically from September 15 to the last day of the refuge squirrel season. Designated trails are open from 4 a.m. to no later than 2 hours after legal sunset unless otherwise specified. The only exception is the Mower Woods all-terrain trail, which is open year-round with the same time restrictions as the seasonal all-terrain trails. We define an ATV as an off-

road vehicle (not legal for highway use) with factory specifications not to exceed the following: Weight 750 pounds (337.5 kg), length 85 inches (212.5 cm), and width of 48 inches (120 cm). We restrict ATV tires to those no larger than 25 × 12 with a 1-inch (2.5-cm) lug height and maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi. We require an affixed refuge ATV permit that anglers may obtain from the refuge headquarters typically in July. Anglers using the refuge physically challenged all-terrain trails must possess the State's Physically Challenged Program Hunter Permit. Additional physically challenged access information will be available at the refuge headquarters.

6. While visiting the refuge, we prohibit: Spotlighting; littering; fires; possession of alcoholic beverages; flagging, engineer's tape, or paint; and parking/blocking trail and gate entrances (see §§27.31(h), 27.94, 27.95(a) of this chapter, and 32.2(j)).

7. We prohibit fish cleaning with 150 feet (45 m) of parking areas, maintained roads, and trails.

UPPER OUACHITA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of waterfowl (duck, goose, coot, gallinule, rail, snipe), woodcock, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must possess and carry a signed refuge permit.

2. We allow waterfowl hunting on the west side of the Ouachita River north of RCW Road. We allow waterfowl hunting on the east side of the Ouachita River outside the Mollicy levee and south of the crude oil pipeline which runs through Township 22N range 4E sections 2, 3, 4 within the levee.

3. We allow woodcock hunting west of the Ouachita River. We allow woodcock hunting on the east side of the Ouachita River outside the Mollicy levee and south of the crude oil pipeline which runs through Township 22N range 4E sections 2, 3, 4 within the levee.

4. We allow dove hunting during the first 3 days of the State season east of the Ouachita River outside the Mollicy levee and south of the crude oil pipeline which runs through Township 22N range 4E sections 2, 3, 4 within the levee.

5. We allow waterfowl hunting until 12 p.m. (noon) during the State season.

6. We will hold a limited youth waterfowl lottery hunt during the State Youth Waterfowl Hunt. Application instructions are available at the refuge office.

7. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m.

8. We prohibit hunting within 100 feet (30 m) of the maintained rights of ways of roads, from or across ATV trails, and from above-ground oil, gas, or electrical transmission facilities.

9. We prohibit leaving boats, blinds, and decoys unattended.

10. We allow dogs to locate, point, and retrieve when hunting for migratory game birds. We prohibit the use of dogs for hog hunting.

11. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than two youth hunters.

12. We prohibit any person or group to act as a hunting guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity that pay other individual(s), pays or promises to pay directly or indirectly for service rendered to any other person or persons hunting on the refuge, regardless of whether such payment is for guiding, outfitting, lodging, or club membership.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail, squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, beaver, coyote, and opossum on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A8, A9, A11, and A12 (to hunt upland game) apply.

2. We allow hunting west of the Ouachita River. We allow hunting on the east side of the Ouachita River outside the Mollicy levee and south of the crude oil pipeline which runs through Township 22N range 4E sections 2,3,4 within the levee.

3. We prohibit possession of firearms larger than .22 caliber rimfire, shotgun slugs, and buckshot.

4. We allow hunting of raccoon and opossum during the daylight hours (legal sunrise to legal sunset) of rabbit and squirrel season. We allow night hunting (legal sunset to legal sunrise) during December and January, and we allow use of dogs for night hunting. We prohibit the selling of raccoon and opossum taken on the refuge for human consumption.

5. We allow the use of dogs to hunt squirrel and rabbit after the last refuge Gun Deer Hunt.

6. To use horses and mules to hunt raccoon and opossum at night, hunters must first obtain a special permit at the refuge office.

7. Hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 4 a.m. and must exit no later than 2 hours after legal shooting hours.

8. We allow hunting of beaver and coyote during all open refuge hunts with weapons legal for the ongoing hunt.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer, feral hog, and turkey on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1, A8, A9, A12 (to hunt big game), and B7 apply.

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2. We allow general gun deer hunting on the following days: the first consecutive Saturday and Sunday of November; the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday following Thanksgiving Day; and the second Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving Day. We allow archery deer hunting during the entire State season.

3. We allow deer and feral hog hunting west of the Ouachita River. We allow deer hunting on the east side of the Ouachita River outside the Mollicy levee and south of the crude oil pipeline which runs through Township 22N range 4E sections 2, 3, 4 within the levee.

4. The daily bag limit is one either-sex deer. The State season limit applies.

5. Archery hunters must possess and carry proof of completion of the International Bowhunters' Education Program.

6. We prohibit leaving deer stands, blinds, and other equipment unattended.

7. Deer hunters must wear hunter orange as per State deer hunting regulations on Wildlife Management Areas.

8. We prohibit hunters placing stands or hunting from stands on pine trees with white-painted bands/rings.

9. Youth hunters under age 16 must successfully complete a State-approved hunter education course. While hunting, each youth must possess and carry a card or certificate of completion. Each youth hunter must remain within sight and normal voice contact of an adult age 21 or older. Each adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter.

10. We will hold a limited lottery youth turkey hunt on the Saturday of the State youth turkey hunt weekend.

11. We prohibit possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, minerals, or other feed or nonnaturally occurring attractant on the refuge (see §32.2(h)).

12. We allow hunting of hog during all open refuge hunts with weapons legal for the ongoing hunt.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow sport fishing year-round except within the Mollicy levee. We allow fishing in the Wigeon Ponds and Reservoir March 1 through October 15, from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 30 minutes after legal sunset.

2. We prohibit outboard motors in the Wigeon Ponds. We prohibit boat launching with motors greater than 50 hp in the Reservoir.

3. We prohibit leaving boats and other personal property on the refuge unattended.

4. You must tend trotlines daily. You must attach ends of trotlines by a length of cotton line that extends into the water.

5. We prohibit commercial fishing. Recreational fishing using commercial gear (slat

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traps, etc.) requires a special refuge permit (that you must possess and carry) available at the refuge office.

6. We prohibit the taking of turtle (see §27.21 of this chapter).

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The following refuge units have been opened to hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

LAKE UMBAGOG NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, snipe, duck, coot, and woodcock in accordance with State regulations, seasons, and bag limits subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunters must wear two articles of hunter-orange clothing or material. One article must be a solid-colored-hunter-orange hat; the other must cover a major portion of the torso, such as a jacket, vest, coat, or poncho, and must be a minimum of 50 percent hunter orange in color (e.g., orange camouflage), except when hunting waterfowl from a boat or blind or with waterfowl decoys.

2. We will provide permanent refuge blinds at various locations on the refuge that are available for public use by reservation. Hunters may make reservations for particular blinds up to 1 year in advance, for a maximum of 7 days, running Monday through Sunday during the hunting season. Hunters may make reservations for additional weeks up to 7 days in advance, on a space-available basis. We allow no other permanent blinds. Hunters must remove temporary blinds, boats, and decoys from the refuge following each day's hunt (see §27.93 of this chapter).

3. You may use trained dogs to assist in hunting and retrieval of harvested birds. Hunting with locating, pointing, and retrieving dogs on the refuge will be subject to the following conditions:

- i. We prohibit dog training.
- ii. We allow a maximum of two dogs per hunter.
- iii. Hunters must pick up all dogs the same day they release them.